2005 General Election

Official Local Voters' Pamphlet for Clark County

Vote. Let your voice be heard.

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General Election November 8, 2005



Dear Clark County Voters

This General Election is being conducted entirely with mail ballots. If you are a registered voter and have not received your General Election ballot in the mail by Friday, October 28, I urge you to contact the Elections Department to obtain a replacement ballot. The phone number is (360) 397-2345; e-mail is elections@clark.wa.gov.

Please be sure to mail your ballot back to us in time to get it postmarked by Election Day, November 8, or take it to one of the 32 ballot drop-off locations in the county before 8 p.m. on Election Day. A complete listing of the ballot drop-off locations can be found on page 57 of this voters pamphlet.

For almost 35 years Clark County has used a punch card voting system to conduct its elections. While this system has served us well, for a number of reasons this is the last election for which we will be using punch cards. The new voting system will be easier for voters to use and will improve the accountability of the election process. I encourage you to turn to page 101 in this voters' pamphlet to learn more about this new voting system.

Again this year we will be releasing preliminary election results at Clark College in Gaiser Hall (1800 E McLoughlin Blvd., Vancouver). The first count will be issued at approximately 8:15 P.M. on Election Day. We appreciate Clark College's cooperation in providing this service to the community. Election results are also available online at www.clark.wa.gov/elections.

This local voters' pamphlet is designed to help you make important decisions in this year's General Election. Depending on where you live in the county, you will have the opportunity to vote on issues and/or candidates that will affect you and your family. I urge you to read this pamphlet, but also to seek out more information. The best decisions are made by informed voters.

Voting demonstrates respect for the sacrifices made by our parents, grandparents, children, and others who have gone to war for the United States to protect our precious constitutional rights. Your vote does make a difference. I encourage you to join me in exercising one of the most precious rights we have as Americans - the right to vote.

Sincerely,

Greg Kimsey Clark County Auditor

Participating jurisdictions:

Clark County; cities of Vancouver, Camas, Battle Ground, Washougal, Ridgefield, La Center, Woodland; Town of Yacolt; School Districts, Vancouver No. 37, Evergreen No. 114, Battle Ground No. 119, Camas No. 117, Washougal No. 112-6, La Center No. 101, Hockinson No. 98, Ridgefield No.

122, Green Mountain No. 103; Fire Protection Districts, No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 5, No. 6, No. 9, No. 10, No. 11, No. 12, No. 13; Hazel Dell Sewer District; Port Districts, Vancouver, Camas-Washougal, Ridgefield; Cemetery Districts, No. 1, No. 4; and Fort Vancouver Regional Library District.

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A reminder to vote: It's really simple

Registering to vote

Registering takes only a few minutes, and you can do it by mail. Registration forms are available at public libraries, schools when they are open, city and town halls, and the County Elections Department.

Who is eligible to vote

The requirements for registering to vote are simple. You must be a United States citizen, 18 years or older, and live in Clark County 30 days prior to the election.

How to vote

Beginning with the previous primary, and for all future elections, the voters in Clark County will receive their ballot by mail. This spring the state legislature passed legislation allowing any county to become an all-mail ballot county if this change was approved by that county's Board of Commissioners. In Clark County, the commissioners, at the request of the county Auditor's Office, approved the change to all-mail ballot voting.

You do not need to reregister or make any changes with our office to be able to vote. We will mail you a ballot for every election in which you are entitled to participate.

To receive your ballot, it is very important that you keep your address current with the Elections Office, because the U.S. Postal Service does not forward ballots. When you change your address, you can contact the Elections Office by telephone to provide us with the new address.

If you will be away before an election, contact the Elections Office and have your mail ballot sent to a temporary address.

If you lose your ballot, you can obtain a replacement ballot by contacting the Elections Office:

Phone: (360) 397-2345

E-mail: elections@clark.wa.gov **Mailing address:** PO Box 8815, Vancouver, WA 98666-8815

Street address: 1408 Franklin

Street, Vancouver

Be an informed voter. Here's how.

There are many sources of information for citizens wishing to know more about candidates, issues, and coverage of the upcoming November 8 general election.

Read all about it.

■ The Columbian.

Web site: www.columbian.com.

■ The Oregonian.

Web site: www.oregonlive.com/elections/oregonian/clarkcounty.

The Camas/Washougal Post Record.

Web site: www.camaspostrecord.com.

■ The Reflector.

Web site: www.thereflector.com.

League of Women Voters

For a schedule of events or candidate forums, see their Web site at www.washingtonvoter.org or call 693-9966.

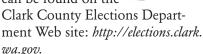
Cable TV

CVTV Clark-Vancouver Television on Comcast cable channel 23. Election coverage will include candidate forums and interviews of candidates in various races. See TV listings in The Columbian, cable channel 2, and the CVTV Web site, www.cvtv.org or call 696-8233.

If you do not have cable TV you can obtain video tapes of any program at any Fort Vancouver Regional Library branch or from CVTV.

Surf the Internet.

■ Election coverage can be found on the



■ The Fort Vancouver Regional Library has computers with Internet connections available for public use.

Join Clark County residents on election night.

On election night at approximately 7 P.M. gather at Gaiser Hall at Clark College to hear and

see election results. The college is located at 1800 East Mcloughlin Blvd.,





Ballot drop-off locations

This election is being conducted totally by mail. For your ballot to be counted, it must be postmarked not later than the day of the election (November 8, 2005) or delivered to the Elections Office not later than 8 P.M. on Election Day. The Clark County Elections Office is located at 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver. It is open from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M., Monday through Friday, until Election Day. On Election Day only the Elections Office will be open from 7 A.M. until 8 P.M.

The usual polling places will not be open on Election Day. However, if you would like to return your ballot in person, you have several options.

- You can deliver it to the Elections Office or to an outside drive-up ballot collection box located one block east of Franklin Street in the center of 14th Street. The Elections Office and the drive-up collection box will be available on or before Election Day, November 8, 2005. This drive-up ballot collection box is available 24 hours a day from the time ballots are received by voters until 8 P.M. on Election Day.
- Or on Election Day *only*, you may also deliver it to one of these ballot drop-off locations which will be open from 7 A.M. until 8 P.M.

Battle Ground High School 300 W Main Street, Battle Ground

Burton Elementary School 14015 NE 28th Street, Vancouver Chinook Elementary School 1900 NW Bliss Road, Vancouver

Crestline Elementary School 13003 SE 7th Street, Vancouver

Dorothy Fox Elementary School 2623 NW Sierra Street, Camas

Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School 2921 Falk Road, Vancouver

Felida Elementary School 2700 NW 119th Street, Vancouver

Fisher's Landing Elementary School 3800 SE Hiddenbrook Drive, Vancouver

Glenwood Heights Primary School

9716 NE 134th Street, Vancouver

Grace Foursquare Gospel Church

717 SE Everett Road, Camas

Hazel Dell Elementary School 511 NE Anderson Road, Vancouver

Helen Baller Elementary School 1954 NE Garfield Street, Camas

Image Elementary School 4400 NE 122nd Avenue, Vancouver

La Center Community Center 1000 E 4th Street, La Center

Lincoln Elementary School 4200 Daniels Street, Vancouver

Martin Luther King Elementary School 4801 Idaho Street, Vancouver Mill Plain Elementary School 400 SE 164th Avenue, Vancouver

Minnehaha Elementary School 2800 NE 54th Street, Vancouver

Pleasant Valley School 14320 NE 50th Avenue, Vancouver

Ridgefield Nazarene Church 747 Pioneer Avenue, Ridgefield

Riverview Elementary School 12601 SE Riveridge Drive, Vancouver

Salmon Creek Elementary School 1601 NE 129th Street, Vancouver

Sarah J. Anderson Elementary School 2215 NE 104th Street, Vancouver

Sifton Elementary School 7301 NE 137th Avenue, Vancouver

Sunset Elementary School 9001 NE 95th Street, Vancouver

Vancouver Early Childhood Center (Lieser School) 301 S Lieser Road, Vancouver

Vancouver School of Arts and Academics 3101 Main Street, Vancouver

Walnut Grove Elementary School 6103 NE 72nd Avenue, Vancouver

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Washougal Community Center 1681 C Street, Washougal

Yacolt Primary School 406 W Yacolt Road, Yacolt

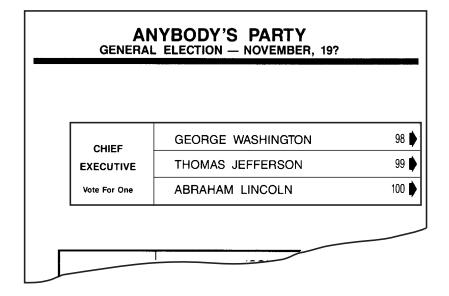
Filling in your vote-by-mail ballot is easy

Use the ballot guide to choose the candidate or issue you wish to vote for. Match the number of your choice to the number on the punch-card ballot.

Example:

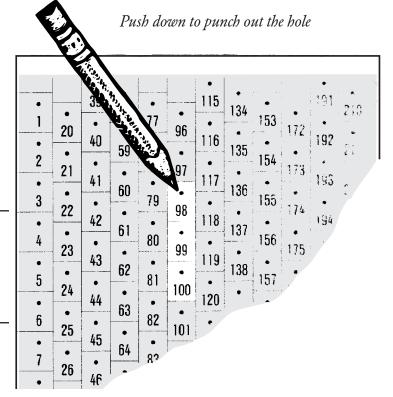
Looking at the sample ballot guide (figure 1), you decide to vote for George Washington. The number of this choice is 98.

Figure 1. Ballot guide



You place the punch-card ballot (figure 2) on a hard, flat surface. Taking your pencil or pen, you press straight down on the black dot directly above the corresponding number on the ballot. (Note: The grey areas indicate choices that are not relevant to that particular ballot.)

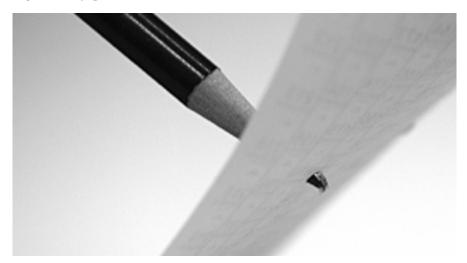
Figure 2. Punch-card ballot



Made a mistake?

Don't worry! Punch out the number you do want and write "X" through the choice you do not want. While holding the pencil down, you lift the punch-card ballot (*figure 3*) until the entire rectangular "punch" comes out.

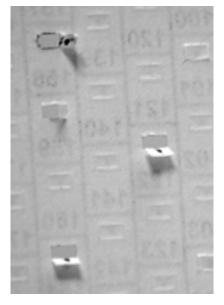
Figure 3. Lift punch-card ballot



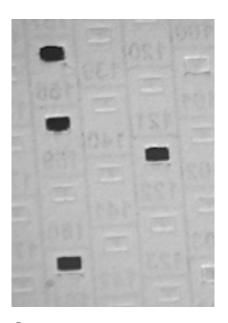
Remember:

Be sure to remove the punch completely. To make sure you've voted correctly, check to see that the number of the selection you want to make matches on both the punchcard and the ballot guide.

Questions? Please call the Elections Office at (360) 397-2345.



Incorrect:
Punches **not** removed completely.



Correct: Punches removed completely.

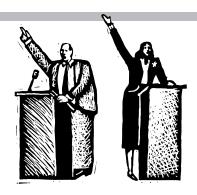
To return by mail

- Place your completed ballot in the enclosed yellow secrecy envelope and seal it.
- Place the yellow envelope in the enclosed white (with green edge) return affidavit envelope addressed to the County Auditor and seal it.
- Read, then sign and date the affidavit on the outside of the return affidavit envelope. *This must be done or your ballot will not be counted.*
- Attach sufficient first-class postage to the return envelope (37 cents) and mail it so that it will be postmarked the day of the election or sooner.

To return in person

- If you choose not to mail your ballot, you may deliver it to the county Elections Office at 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver, anytime prior to 8 P.M. on Election Day.
- On Election Day *only*, you may deliver your ballot to one of the ballot drop-off locations listed on page 57, before 8 P.M.

It is very important to use the ballot that you received by mail or obtained from the County Elections Office (1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver). Additional ballots will **not** be available at the ballot drop-off locations.



Candidate statements

This pamphlet describes all the offices and issues up for election in Clark County, but where you live determines which of those offices and issues you may vote for. The ballot guide that you receive with your mail ballot envelope packet shows the offices and issues for which you are entitled to vote.

County Commissioner - District No. 3

Steve Stuart

Democrat



Commissioner Stuart has dedicated his career to encouraging healthy, affordable growth. Raised in Ridgefield, the avid baseball player and youth sports volunteer has a son at Skyview. Inspired by Clark County's growth over his lifetime, Steve studied community planning, got a law degree, and earned respect from all sides by finding ways to assure that new growth doesn't damage the character of our county.

"I love this place. That's why I hope you'll give me the chance to keep working hard finding new, efficient ways for us to grow so our schools, roads, public safety, and health don't suffer."

Address: Committee to Elect Steve Stuart, 1010 Washington Street #240, Vancouver 98660; Telephone: (360) 635-5490; Web site: www.stuartforclarkcounty.com

Tom Mielke Republican



Tom Mielke has a record of achievement. Tom gets things done. As a Veteran, family man and former legislator, Tom has a record of accomplishments for his community, state and country.

Tom Mielke is ready to lead. A stronger economy, lower taxes, better schools, safer neighborhoods, improved roads and bridges and a responsive county government – these are Tom Mielke's priorities.

Tom Mielke is trustworthy, dependable and accessible. Tom believes in bringing people together to solve problems. People trust him; they know he is motivated by making good things happen for his community. Tom Mielke's door is always open.

Address: 8608 NE Mason Drive #7, Vancouver 98662; Telephone: (360) 828-7850; E-mail: tom@tommielke.com; Web site: www.tommielke.com

All registered voters within Clark County are eligible to vote for the office of County Commissioner.

City of Vancouver - Mayor

Royce E. Pollard
Non-Partisan



I'm asking for your support for another term as Mayor of America's Vancouver. I care deeply about our community. Working with officials in Olympia and Washington, DC to help secure financial assistance for municipal projects, I've also lobbied locally to secure private funding for building such projects as the Firstenburg Community Center opening in East Vancouver this year. I champion police and fire services, jobs, neighborhoods, parks, recreation, economic development and responsiveness to citizens. Together we've made a positive difference. Please apply my energy, passion and experience to drive forward the improvement of America's Vancouver for another four years.

Charles P. Stemper
Non-Partisan



As your mayor my goal will be to listen to every taxpaying citizen in Vancouver. Our local government needs a *common sense* approach to governing. We need to maintain the basic services of the police, fire departments and better roads to ensure safety and security in the neighborhoods. As a new candidate it will be my pleasure to cut down on waste and look for innovative ways to save taxpayer money. I'll be for you, the taxpayer.

Address: Charles P. Stemper for Mayor, 1108 NE 101st Court, Vancouver 98664;

Telephone: (360) 254-0010; E-mail: CharlesStemper@Nuvoice.com;

Web site: www.nuvoice.com

City of Vancouver - Council Position No. 1

Pat Campbell Non-Partisan



After graduating from Pacific Lutheran University, Pat Campbell and his wife Dorothy, a pediatric nurse, moved to Vancouver to raise their sons in 1976.

A Vietnam veteran, Pat recently retired after 36 years of public service primarily as a probation and parole officer. He knows that improving social service resources will save tax dollars and make Vancouver safer.

Pat envisions a more inclusive Vancouver with business and personal opportunities for all citizens.

Pat supports managed growth. He advocates quality basic services in all areas of Vancouver. Runaway sprawl causes increased taxes and a declining quality of life. This is unacceptable.

Address: Elect Pat Campbell, PO Box 873206, Vancouver 98687; Telephone: (360) 904-0815; E-mail: pat777campbell@msn.com

Pat Jollota Non-Partisan



Pat works for your safety. Serving with the Regional Emergency Managers group brought more equipment to Vancouver Fire and Police. She has been a national leader in the fight against methamphetamine. She started the childhood Violence Indicators Prevention program which brought together animal control, fire, and law enforcement to identify problems early.

She champions our rich historic heritage. She initiated the 4th Plain Corridor plan to improve a historic area at risk.

She works for transportation projects such as the 192nd Street Extension to ease traffic on 164th.

Vote for Pat Jollota, she get things done.

Address: 1204 NW 53rd Street, Vancouver 98663; Telephone: (360) 695-3262

City of Vancouver - Council Position No. 2

Jeanne E. Stewart
Non-Partisan



"Of the people, for the people" was the promise I made in 2001. I kept that promise. I would like to continue working for you: maintaining open and eager communication with citizens; protecting neighborhoods from crime, over development and overcrowded schools; ensuring adequacy of police and fire protection; protecting the drinking water and air from pollutants; controlling taxes; requiring disciplined spending of city funds; working toward development of a third all purpose bridge without tolls; making more effective use of roads by synchronizing traffic signals; sustaining the public trust by persistently and vigorously representing the interest of the citizens.

Address: Stewart for City Council, PO Box 383, Vancouver 98666; Telephone: (360) 695-5154; E-mail: stwjevanc@aol.com

Eric Olmsted
Non-Partisan



A fiscally responsible small business owner, father, and U.S. Army veteran, Eric Olmsted believes Vancouver can create jobs and provide economic stability by providing emerging businesses with better assistance while encouraging existing businesses to thrive. Through collaboration among city officials and the community, growth can be managed sensibly, maintaining a vibrant economy while keeping our city livable, minimizing impact to the environment while keeping pace with our city's resources. Eric supports efficiency in city operations, downtown revitalization, solutions to transportation issues, and combating crime. "Just like you, I am committed to a better Vancouver, and I ask for your vote."

Address: Committee to Elect Eric Olmsted, 15912 NE 41st Street, Vancouver 98682; Telephone: (360) 816-0089; E-mail: eric@voteeric.org; Web site: www.voteeric.org

City of Vancouver - Council Position No. 3

Bob Gaylor Non-Partisan



My wife and I have raised four children in Vancouver. We believe in this community. I support family wage jobs, preserving industrial land, and supporting local Vancouver business. I bring forty years of business experience to City Council, ranging from a factory production worker to an executive position in a major manufacturer and currently president of a local nonprofit.

I support making Vancouver an inclusive community that welcomes all citizens in work and play. Our park facilities and recreation programs should be usable and fun for all people, including those with disabilities. I will make a difference with your support.

Address: 1211 NE 150th Avenue, Vancouver 98684; **Telephone**: (360) 891-9345; **E-mail**: bobgaylor@comcast.net; **Web site**: http://bobgaylor.home.comcast.net/

Jeanne Harris
Non-Partisan



I'm so proud of the many accomplishments we've achieved as I have helped guide the changing landscape to today's vibrant downtown, dozens of new parks, a new community center on the east side, walking trails and bike paths on the waterfront, along our creeks and in our greenways. Police and fire are there when we need them. Our city is run on a tight, reasonable budget. We say yes when business wants to grow or bring jobs to Vancouver. With your support, I will make sure we keep moving forward without sacrificing our heritage and our great quality of life.

Address: People for Jeanne Harris, 14511 NE 49th Circle, Vancouver 98682;

Telephone: (360) 896-0422; E-mail: jeanne@jeanneharris.com;

Web site: www.jeanneharris.com

City of Camas - Council Ward No. 1

Melissa A. Smith Non-Partisan



I was appointed to City Council in early 2004. I am currently on the Finance Committee, liaison to the Parks & Recreation Commission, and serve as the alternate liaison to the Library board.

In 2004 I worked on the committee for revising the City of Camas' Critical Area Ordinance, and I also served on the interview/selection committee for the recruitment of a new Fire Chief.

I believe in planned growth, not urban sprawl. I believe the City Council needs to focus on our ordinances and updating them as needed to stay in compliance with the ever changing rules and regulations.

Telephone: (360) 834-6725

City of Camas - Council Ward No. 3

Tanya Alexandra Peterson Non-Partisan



If elected, I pledge to be your advocate on the Camas City Council. My philosophy is driven by the belief that American citizens know best how to spend their money. What we all love about Camas is what I want to protect – especially as we grow. This means prioritizing and spending wisely, while planning appropriately for our futures. Years of community service, my degrees and work experience in engineering and finance all provide me with ideal qualifications for supporting Camas businesses and residents, while maintaining focus on fiscal responsibility. Accessibility and integrity are what you can count on!

E-mail: iamtanyapeterson@hotmail.com

Steven C. (Steve) Hogan Non-Partisan



Camas has several jewels: quality of life, outstanding public education, Lacamas Lake, and our downtown core. I am running for Council because I want to be your advocate as our city develops. Development is going to occur in Camas, but it must be responsible.

My family has lived in Camas for 11 years. I have been the General Manager of steel and wood companies. I am fiscally conservative with an MBA in finance. I am active in Rotary and the Camas Athletic Field Advisory Council. Past board memberships include the Camas Educational Foundation, SWIFT, and the Camas-Washougal Soccer Club.

Address: 2422 NW 47th Avenue, Camas 98607; **Telephone:** (360) 834-2046; **E-mail:** shogan3046@aol.com

City of Camas – Council Ward No. 5

Scott Higgins
Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

City of Washougal - Mayor

George Jeffrey Guard
Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Stacee S. Sellers
Non-Partisan



Since I was born and raised in Washougal, I have experienced the changes to our area and understand the community, its citizens and its ways. As Mayor of Washougal, I feel that an important part of the job in the coming years will be communication. Interaction between our citizens, local businesses, and government entities is essential. We are a growing community that needs strong leadership, something I can provide. As a member of the City Council, C-TRAN Board, Downtown Revitalization Committee, and the Camas-Washougal Chamber Board, I feel that I can serve this community and its citizens well.

Address: Stacee4Mayor Campaign, PO Box 474, Washougal 98671; Telephone: (360) 835-1025; E-mail: stacee4mayor@aol.com

City of Washougal - Council Position No. 1

Mary Anne Bosley
Non-Partisan



As our community grows and many new faces appear both as to persons and the changing landscape, my goal is to see the City's growth governed by not only our laws, but by common sense. The City needs parks, open area and protection for our wetlands. We need a well laid out road system that allows for the influx of new families, addresses safety, and drainage concerns. I would like to see that these concerns are met tempered with the use of common sense to maximize our resources, our quality of living and our city's potential.

City of Washougal - Council Position No. 3

Mary R. Hargrave Non-Partisan

No photograph was submitted

A desire to raise our quality of life has inspired me to run for a City Council Position. Other than a few years attending Clark College, I have lived in Washougal my entire life. I am the Human Resource Manager for a local construction company.

My husband and I have raised three children, two live and work in the community and the third attends college.

With my strong work ethic, organizational skills and business background, I hope to provide the citizens of Washougal insight as to how we can improve the city we live in.

City of Washougal - Council Position No. 5

Nikki J. Costa Non-Partisan



Nikki is committed to responsible growth and well planned sustainable economic development within the city of Washougal. She firmly believes that government should be accessible and transparent to the community members that it serves. Nikki has been a resident of Washougal for ten years. She has over fifteen years of law enforcement experience serving the last five years in a management position. She holds a master's degree in Public Administration from Portland State University and a bachelor's degree in Social Science from Washington State University. She also volunteers at Gause Elementary School and the Rock 'n Roll Camp for Girls.

City of Washougal - Council Position No. 6

Lou Peterson
Non-Partisan



As a Washougal Council member, and Mayor Pro Tem, I have been an active part of our exciting future. It has been a productive time working on downtown, recreational and economic growth, business, and transportation.

Also, I have had the opportunity to be on the County Growth Management Committee, Regional Transportation Council, Cottonwood Beach Steering Committee, and Chair of the Planning/Development and Finance Committees.

Therefore, I would like to have the privilege to continue representing our citizens in the next four years, and to remember our vision of Washougal – livability, community, environment, and our great historic character. Thank you.

Address: 467 J Street, Washougal 98671; Telephone: (360) 835-7137; E-mail: loupete61@yahoo.com

City of Washougal - Council At-Large

Molly Coston Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

City of Battle Ground - Council Position No. 1

Michael J. Ciraulo Non-Partisan



It has been my honor to serve the citizens of Battle Ground for the last four years. We have accomplished many great things for our city and set the foundation for continued prosperity and successfully managed growth. We have ensured that growth pays for growth, developed many parks, strengthened our police department and worked with developers to bring desired jobs and services to our city. Much work still needs to be done and I pledge to work in your best interest to ensure that Battle Ground retains the small town feel, while ensuring the needs of our citizens are met.

Address: 400 NE 17th Avenue, Battle Ground 98604; Telephone: (360) 901-7392; E-mail: 1ciraulo@comcast.net

City of Battle Ground - Council Position No. 4

Lisa Walters
Non-Partisan

No photograph was submitted

When I last ran for office 4 years ago, I was active in local politics as a community volunteer, and my priorities were public safety, fiscal accountability, and responsible economic growth and development. That has not changed. I believe I kept my promise to the citizens of Battle Ground and have been even more involved because of my role as your council member. Challenges I have faced in the last year, with city changes, have proven that I can face up to any opposition that may come my way, as well as stand my own ground. Thanks for your vote.

Address: 1809 NW 7th Court, Battle Ground 98604; Telephone: (360) 666-3005; E-mail: lisa.walters@ci.battle-ground.wa.us

City of Battle Ground - Council Position No. 5

Alexander Reinhold, Jr
Non-Partisan



My name is Alex Reinhold and for the past 4 years I've been working as your city councilperson. When elected I made a promise to have good attendance, to help parks and serve in a reasonable manner. I have perfect attendance. There are several parks projects in the works, including a skateboard park. I have been at the forefront of having city parks and buildings named after people. As a part of the current team we have a new city hall, police station and most importantly a fiscally sound city. I hope to have the honor of continuing my service.

Address: 220 SW 19th Avenue, Battle Ground 98604; Telephone: (360) 697-0672

David E. Agar Non-Partisan



My wife Cathy, son Gregory and I have resided in Battle Ground for 5½ years. I have worked in the fire prevention industry for 30 years. For the past 5 years, I have been proud to coach the Highlands Little League Challenger team and have served on the Board of Directors as the Challenger Division Vice President for 4 years. I am a member of the Battle Ground Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 12011. I enjoy flying; building remote control airplanes; and am the Training Director for Clark County Radio Control Society. Allow me to be your voice. Thank you.

E-mail: KamanHusky@aol.com

City of Battle Ground - Council Position No. 6

William J. Ganley Non-Partisan



I seek your support for another term as your councilmember. I will do my homework to maintain Battle Ground's livability by insuring quality services, economic vitality, and improvements to the road network and parks. I look forward to continuing my involvement on the C-Tran Board of Directors (chair), Regional Transportation Council (vice chair), the Railroad Advisory Board, and the Transportation Improvement Board.

Building a stronger and safer community will be a priority. Priorities include public safety, securing road funding, promoting economic development to create local jobs, improving our parks, and controlling costs for all services. Thank you for your support.

Address: 505 NW 10th Street, Battle Ground 98604; **Telephone**: (360) 687-7505; **E-mail**: wbganley@comcast.net

City of Ridgefield - Council Position No. 1

Michael Hefflin Non-Partisan



I do not seek this position based on any desire on my part, but rather based on a belief that during this time of unprecedented growth, we need a Councilor to ask, and demand answers to, hard questions, of both prospective developers and City Administrators. During my previous 9 years of service to the citizens of Ridgefield, serving on both the Planning Commission and City Council, I believe I exhibited a willingness to ask such questions. I also renew my personal commitment that no Councilor shall come to any meeting more prepared than I.

Address: PO Box 1091, Ridgefield 98642; Telephone: (360) 887-8310 or (360) 609-6675

Scott Hanson Non-Partisan



I have worked for Ridgefield on the Planning Commission and the City Council for over two years. During that time, City leadership has met the challenges of growth by working together to improve the quality of its staff and its systems.

In the last year, Ridgefield received \$24 million from federal and state government for transportation improvements, and a certificate of excellence from the Department of Ecology for our sewer system operations. And, we created a Community Development Department to manage growth.

Ridgefield needs to continue on this positive path, and your vote for me will help ensure we do.

City of Ridgefield - Council Position No. 4

Chad Sessions
Non-Partisan



I am on the Ridgefield Planning Commission. I have seen development and growth, and I am running for City Council to help ensure we have good management of the changes in Ridgefield.

I believe growth will continue in Ridgefield, and the City should ensure the developers follow the rules and make the City a great place to live. The City needs to focus on parks, roads, and utility system improvements to deliver high quality services to Ridgefield.

As a City Council member, I will focus on meeting the challenges of growth in a positive and open manner.

These statements are submitted by the candidates and are not checked for accuracy by any government agency.

City of La Center - Council Position No. 1

Bill Birdwell, Jr. Non-Partisan



Bill Birdwell, 43, longtime resident and current City Council member, is seeking to retain his position.

Bill has served on the Planning Commission and is currently a member of the local Lions and North Clark County Chamber of Commerce. Bill served as past president of the Senior Parents Association, which sponsored the drug and alcohol free "Grad Night" party.

As a current City Council member, Bill is committed to work hard to keep La Center the great place it is to live and proudly call home. He will continue to focus on economic development, transportation, parks and managed community growth.

Address: PO Box 354, La Center 98629; E-mail: bbirdwell@ci.lacenter.wa.us

Mike Nolan Non-Partisan



The quality of life and strong sense of community drew the Nolan family to La Center. With an MBA from George Fox University, and twenty years of law enforcement service with the Sheriff's Office; Mike Nolan is eager to serve. Responsible growth, fiscal accountability and sustaining the quality of life citizens have come to know, are priorities Mike Nolan will address when elected to the La Center City Council. Mike's service to the Heritage Ridge Homeowner's Association, his church and Clark County have given him the necessary experience to be a great leader for the citizens of La Center.

City of La Center - Council Position No. 2

Bob Smith
Non-Partisan



Married to wife Sharon for 27 years, 3 grown daughters and 5 granddaughters. I graduated from Northwest Christian College with a BS degree in Business Management/Leadership.

Intellectual capital includes 28 years management experience, \$55,000,000.00 budget responsibility, managing 18 business facilities, contract negotiations, financial management, tasking and team building.

Current board member Southview Heights Home Owners Association: reduced HOA liabilities and dues 23%.

Key interests are: fiscal fitness – balanced spending to revenue income, sustaining a revenue source, Down Town revitalization – bang for the buck, controlled city growth w/infrastructure support – right sizing.

City of La Center - Council Position No. 3

Troy Van Dinter
Non-Partisan

No photograph was submitted

Since becoming your council member, I have dug into the many critical issues facing our city, including: sewer, downtown revitalization, growth management and the proposed casino. I'm a life-long resident of La Center with a degree and 15 years accounting experience which can truly benefit our city government. My wife, Sheri, and I have two children, Chris and Alex, who attend La Center schools. In addition to being your newest councilman, I am also an officer on the Leadership Clark County and SVHHOA boards and am a member of the North county Chamber of Commerce. I would appreciate your vote.

Town of Yacolt - Mayor

Joe Warren Non-Partisan



As a father, husband and member of our community, I feel that I have a considerable stake in our town and I am proud to call Yacolt my home.

I am currently a member of town council. During my time in this position, I've worked hard to be a positive voice for our citizens, looking out for current needs while balancing a healthy vision of the town's future.

I, Joe Warren, am asking to be your next mayor so I can continue to work hard for you, the citizens of Yacolt.

Vote Joe Warren and see what the future holds.

Pilar "Kit" Raanes
Non-Partisan



Retired: banking; business proprietor background. Main objectives: to obtain the needs of our community; maintain the charm; continuity; and preserve the history of Yacolt. I will have an open door policy, as to encourage all citizens with concerns, so we can further enhance our lives for the future and benefit to all.

Campaign contact: Wendy Haynes; E-mail: Haynesws@aol.com

Town of Yacolt - Council Position No. 2

James Weldon Non-Partisan



I am a seminary graduate with some 50 years in the ministry, a retired chaplain (Lt. Col.) and have been a town treasurer, deputy constable, reserve police officer, college trustee and Yacolt council member; and currently serving Yacolt as Mayor until the term expires.

At present I'm looking forward to continue serving our town family as a council member. Though the position will be demanding, I have confidence that I am equal to the task, as together we plan and move forward into the future of Yacolt.

Address: 604 N Hubbard Avenue, Yacolt 98675; Telephone: (360) 686-8718

Town of Yacolt - Council Position No. 3

Karen Holyk Non-Partisan



I have lived in Yacolt 12 years. I am up for the challenges that face Yacolt and am confident that working together we will move Yacolt into the future with sound leadership. I will continue to listen to the citizens and study the issues before making a decision.

I look forward to serving you and working with each of you. I appreciate your vote.

Good leadership is the key to our future.

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Town of Yacolt - Council Position No. 5

Cindy Marbut
Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

City of Woodland - Council Position No. 1

John (JJ) Burke Non-Partisan



I have been very active in the community, and a business owner.

I am for the skateboard park and senior citizen's center.

I believe in running the city the correct way, not the good ole boys way.

I am against raising taxes, including B&O taxes.

We are growing fast, and need to concentrate on building infrastructure before it is too late.

Selected 'business of the quarter' this year, Planters Days President for 4 years, and Master of the Woodland Grange.

I have opposed the swimming pool in the park, but would not mind seeing it elsewhere.

Vote for me!!

Thanks

Barbara Ann Karnis Non-Partisan



After a hiatus of 4 years, I decided to run again for the Council because the citizens of Woodland no longer have a strong, significant, representative voice. What is best for the residents of the city is often overlooked for one reason or another. Rejecting impact fees and a beneficial zone change for the Community Center which is a vital part of many residents' lives, dilly-dallying about the pool location, thinking about allowing reinstatement of small lot sizes in planned-unit developments and procrastinating about combining the two fire departments has me ready to go back to work as a councilwoman.

City of Woodland - Council Position No. 2

Darwin K. Rounds
Non-Partisan



No statement was submitted

City of Woodland-Council Position No. 3

Bruce Summers, Jr.
Non-Partisan



Serving as your elected councilmember for the past 4 years has been a challenging experience. As a lifelong community member, I understand how our city feels, and as a new father, I also know what it is to be a young family in Woodland. I have always tried to make decisions based on what the people of our city want, and not what I feel is best. I have not let out of town interests influence decisions that affect our city. If you would like me to continue representing our city, please vote for Bruce Summers Jr. this fall.

Al Swindell Non-Partisan



I have all the qualities needed for the Woodland City Council. My negotiation skills, positive attitude, willingness to listen, ability to create common ground and keen understanding of the economic realities of a growing city will bring excellent leadership to Woodland. As a resident of Clark and Cowlitz counties for over 60 years, I have worked for a major wood products company, helped create and maintain family wage jobs and provided community leadership on local issues such as substance abuse. I am the right man for the job. Vote for me.

City of Woodland - Council Position No. 4

Corey D. Huffine
Non-Partisan

Corey Huffine moved to Woodland in 1992. Corey is a husband, a father, and has been serving the public in law enforcement for over 13 years.

Corey supports New Home Construction Impact Fees as a means to obtain necessary funds without burdening the current residents of Woodland with increased taxes.

No photograph was submitted

As a City Council Member, Corey would support the rezoning for the Community Center as well as the placement of the Community Pool as Horseshoe Lake Park.

"I promise I will set an example for others, and carry out my duties in a manner expected by the citizens of Woodland."

Erica L. Rainford
Non-Partisan



My name is Erica L. Rainford, I am running for the position that I currently hold on the Woodland City Council, which is Position 4.

I have several issues that interest me and I would like to have come to pass in the near future. My number one concern is to see the west side of Woodland grow in a fashionable and economically prosperous way. I would also like to see the city of Woodland, help support a Business Incubator. The city would basically sit on the board or appoint a council person to attend meetings.

Vancouver School District No. 37 - Director Position No. 2

David W. Christel
Non-Partisan



I am honored to serve our community as a Vancouver School District Board Member. After visits to schools in all parts of the District in the last year, I have come to appreciate the challenge to provide our children the highest quality education. I will continue the commitment to personalize education for each individual student, provide essential support for the classroom and strengthen the range of learning opportunities for all students. My long term involvement with the District puts me in a position to maintain the leadership our District has shown and which our children so richly deserve.

Vancouver School District No. 37 - Director Position No. 3

Edward H. Rankin
Non-Partisan



Vancouver School District enjoys an excellent reputation locally, state wide, and nationally. The district began a restructuring program in the 1980's which continues. New school buildings stand because voters responded favorably to changes needed to meet the needs of our young people. Curriculum modifications emphasize literacy to challenge young minds. Orderly change in hiring, which includes top level administrators, insures and enhances the district personnel. For sixteen years I have fostered the quest for educational excellence in Vancouver Schools. If elected, and with the support of Vancouver voters, I will endeavor to continue the stellar work of the district.

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Vancouver School District No. 37 - Director Position No. 4

Edri Geiger Non-Partisan



Motivated by the belief that all students can succeed, Edri will be a dedicated, knowledgeable and strong director, working for quality education that allows all students to reach their potential. She was Vancouver's 1994 Teacher of the Year and was one of the first 175 teachers in the US certified by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. She has developed and implemented programs and partnerships focused on education excellence. As an education consultant and adjunct university instructor she continues her work promoting quality education. Edri has vision, expertise, dedication and passion to address needs, find solutions and assure results.

Address: 5401 SE Scenic Lane #105, Vancouver 98661; Telephone: (360) 254-4811; E-mail: edri@onemain.com

Mark F. Stoker Non-Partisan



As a graduate of the Vancouver School District, a father of twin daughters who graduated from Columbia River High School, and a son who is a junior there now, I believe public education is a viable and vital public resource. Every child, whether from poverty or privilege, must have the equal opportunity to take advantage of this resource. There is no greater asset to our community than a well educated child. I want to ensure that the Vancouver School District continues to deliver a quality education to our children. I ask for your vote.

Address: 8318 NW 14th Court, Vancouver 98665; Telephone: (360) 750-7547 or (360) 573-5133; E-mail: mfs@hpl-law.com

Evergreen School District No. 114 - Director District No. 1

Troy E. Thomas
Non-Partisan



The future is today not tomorrow. Every child must have opportunity and encouragement to reach their highest level of achievement. Children are the future leaders of tomorrow and we must grow them within our community today.

We live in a fast paced world where decisions about our children must not be taken lightly. Ensuring due diligence for fiscal policies, accountability at all levels, and student achievement must be top priority.

Representing district one as your school board member is my privilege for the sake of our children and our community. I work toward the goal that every child will succeed.

Telephone: (360) 885-3957; E-mail: goldstang2@msn.com

Evergreen School District No. 114 - Director District No. 5

Holly Williams
Non-Partisan



Experienced, effective leader dedicated to educational excellence! Our outstanding board is committed to offering quality education for all our students. I am proud of these accomplishments: 45% improvement in student achievement; growth managed in a fiscally responsible manner; more student choices, e.g. Internet Academy, Home Choice; community involved in significant decisions; a focus on teaching excellence; AP enrollment quadrupled; and award-winning extra-curriculars.

Your vote for me ensures the progress continues!

Five year board member. Former HP engineer. State and local committee member. Resident since 1980. Married 20 years with two children in Evergreen schools.

Battle Ground School District No. 119 - Director District No. 1

Frederick Striker
Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Battle Ground School District No. 119 - Director District No. 3

Richard C. Kent Non-Partisan



I have a sincere interest in public education. I have taught classes at Lower Columbia College, Texas A&M University, and Clackamas Community College. I have been active on the Battle Ground City Planning Commission where creative approaches to community development were solved through teamwork and listening to public viewpoints. I am committed to unselfishly helping children learn and become responsible citizens. I am a professional geologist, Boy Scout leader and past soccer coach. I promise to fully engage myself in the development of learning and needs of the Battle Ground School District. Thank you for your vote.

Address: PO Box 26, Battle Ground 98604; Telephone: (360) 687-0509

John Karvonen Non-Partisan



Quality education for all students is the goal of the school district, but it is also important to be sure the district is financially responsible.

As a Battle Ground School District graduate, father, and grandfather, I want to be sure the district continues its recent improvements to help all the children to be successful. This means preparing them for the world of work and/or further education. It also means making sure our taxpayer money is spent wisely. I believe I can help to be sure this occurs.

Telephone: (360) 573-1056

Battle Ground School District No. 119 - Director District No. 5

Mark E. Pelletier
Non-Partisan



Since I joined the school board seven years ago the Battle Ground School District has journeyed from distrust to partnership, confusion to achievement and from near bankruptcy to stability. Today we receive repeated state and national recognition for industry leadership, managerial excellence and academic accomplishment. We assembled outstanding teachers, replaced obsolete textbooks with the latest proven curriculum and, thanks to community support, are now updating inadequate buildings with facilities to make parents and students proud. We have come a long way but there is more work ahead. I look forward to continue helping our district become the best in Washington.

Cecil Schlecht
Non-Partisan



I have attended schools and lived in the Battle Ground School District nearly my entire life. I currently have numerous relatives and friends attending school in the district, and I am interested in seeing them receive the same quality education that I received to prepare them for careers and/or higher education.

I believe that it is the obligation of the district to provide a quality education for all students while maintaining moral and fiscal responsibilities to the parents and taxpayers; and if elected, I will work hard to make sure it does.

Address: 6802 NE 137th Street, Vancouver 98686; Telephone: (360) 573-1222

Camas School District No. 117 - Director District No. 1

Casey O'Dell Non-Partisan



I am proud to have been given the opportunity to serve you for the last 4 years on the Camas School Board. My experience of participating on the Board has proved to be the most rewarding public service in which I have been involved. I am humbled by the efforts of our staff, students and community that make the Camas School District a leader in education. Our times ahead will be exciting with the continued growth we are experiencing. I would like to be part of that excitement and ask for your vote once again in this upcoming election.

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Camas School District No. 117 - Director District No. 2

Mel Cardon Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Camas School District No. 117 - Director District No. 3

Connie Hennessey
Non-Partisan



As a Camas School Board member, I seek the opportunity to make a positive impact on the Camas Schools with focus on student achievement, governing through prudent financial planning, and innovative policy making. We have many challenges over the next several years, including opening and reconfiguring several new schools, redefining boundaries, and planning for and managing growth. I am committed to continuing the tradition of excellence in our schools and am honored with the opportunity to serve as your School Board representative.

Address: 4515 NW Center Court, Camas 98607; Telephone: (360) 834-2938

Camas School District No. 117 - Director District No. 4

Doug Quinn Non-Partisan



I have passion for educating kids. A Camas resident for 15 years my three children are products of Camas schools. Academic excellence is the gift we leave our children, and I'm dedicated to improving the quality of education. I bring skills that are essential to this position including: experience in state and local government, fiscal planning, community outreach and consensus building. I'm committed to using the available resources to provide our children the best education possible. Appointed to the school board, I've help make positive changes in student health, ensuring that nutritious foods are available for students. Please vote Quinn!

Address: 1200 NW Klickitat Lane, Camas 98607; Telephone: (360)834-5124

John Svilarich
Non-Partisan



Camas schools have an enviable track record but one facing many challenges. Having two children currently in Camas Schools and serving as Chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee – Camas School Board has given me much insight into what we face. As a business man, I successfully deal with these same types of challenges everyday.

I am the only candidate who has recent experience with other Washington districts, giving me a unique perspective. I am *not* a politician or an insider. What I am is someone who is passionate about our schools being the best they can be for *all*

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Camas School District No. 117 - Director District No. 5

Gary Tipton
Non-Partisan



My name is Gary Tipton. I retired from Hewlett-Packard senior management in 1998, and have kept busy since then as a frequent volunteer in the Camas School District. I was on the board of the foundation that built the Jack, Will and Rob Center, president of the Lacamas Heights school PTO, and a regular classroom helper

I offer a deep business background, problem-solving skills and commitment to communication.

I want our district to lead in such areas as curriculum, staff excellence, measured student learning, health and nutrition, and harnessing technology.

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Washougal School District No. 112-6 - Director District No. 2

Elaine	Pfeifer
Non-F	Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Washougal School District No. 112-6 - Director District No. 3

Garry Hobbs Alexander, Sr.

Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Washougal School District No. 112-6 - Director District No. 5

Ron Dinius

Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Ridgefield School District No. 122 - Director District No. 1

Matthew T. Swindell Non-Partisan



I have been a member of this community for 35 years. I have enjoyed growing up in a community that cares about its youth the way Ridgefield does. As a member of this community with five children ages seventeen to three years of age, I feel it is time that I give back to the community that has given so much to me. I feel it is our responsibility to ensure our children enjoy the same traditions as a Spudder that my family and I have.

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Ridgefield School District No. 122 - Director District No. 4

Kathy Koller Non-Partisan



I am seeking your vote for Ridgefield School Board. I bring to this position experience with dedication for the education of our children. In the past four years I have worked on State and Federal levels to make certain that our students and staff are represented in all legislative areas. Ridgefield growth is now here, with this brings new opportunities. I would like to make sure the learning experiences of Ridgefield's children are paramount and that our academic standards are kept high. I will continue to put our children first.

Address: 20615 NE 22nd Avenue, Ridgefield 98642; Telephone: (360) 887-1429

Julie E. Olson Non-Partisan



Ridgefield will continue to experience rapid growth over the next number of years. This growth puts pressure on our school system. The district has already purchased land for a new high school and is considering a \$56 million bond measure. These are critical issues and it is important for the board and the district to communicate clearly to the parents and taxpayers of this community. I have a child in this district. It's important to me. I believe my background and business experience will add value to the processes and issues the school board faces over the next four years.

Hockinson School District No. 98 - Director District No. 1

Erik O. Mattson
Non-Partisan



It has been my privilege and honor to serve you, the community of Hockinson, for the past twelve years as Director for the Hockinson Public Schools. It has been my charge to provide the best educational program possible, to meet the needs of every child served by your schools, to recognize the tax burden already asked of our community and the financial limitations of our senior citizens. As we move forward into the future, we will maintain educational excellence by putting aside our differences and working together for the children of Hockinson.

Thank you for your past and future support.

Address: 18202 NE 182nd Avenue, Brush Prairie 98606; Telephone: (360) 944-7064

Tim Podhora
Non-Partisan



Few things are more important than the quality of K-12 public education. Hockinson School District has an excellent K-8 legacy that needs to be strengthened and maintained. This school year will bring Hockinson High School its first graduating class. Many of us are still waiting and working hard to ensure that the K-8 legacy carries forward as we had hoped it would. Tim has been a long-standing advocate for expedited completion of a robust high school program and a complete facility. Bringing his solid public money management skills and creative solutions to the remaining challenges will move that agenda forward.

Hockinson School District No. 98 - Director District No. 2

Deborah Stavig
Non-Partisan

No photograph was submitted

The Hockinson School District has undergone significant changes in recent years. As an active school and community volunteer, I hear and see many of the issues which affect our children.

I anticipate working with the community and staff developing long term goals and plans, and will continue to advocate for our children at the state and local levels. As a taxpayer with children in three schools, I have a vested interest in the accountability of our district, both financially and academically.

With five years Board experience, and a degree in the education field, I am prepared for future challenges.

La Center School District No. 101 - Director District No. 2

Melissa A. Miller Non-Partisan



Being involved in the La Center School District and community is an important part of my life. Previous volunteer experience includes: President of PTSA, Vice President of Booster Club, Player's Agent for Little League, Player's Agent for Lewis River Soccer League, Community Education Coach for Volleyball and Basketball, Soccer Coach, Softball Coach, and School Board member since 1998 for the La Center School District.

Representing the taxpayers, families and students of the La Center School District is my passion. I strive to establish school policies that support academics along with positive personal skills for the youth of our community.

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La Center School District No. 101 - Director District No. 3

Bob Taylor Non-Partisan



It has been my privilege to have served on the La Center School board for the last 8 years. I have witnessed significant improvements thanks to our dedicated paid staff, teachers, students and community members. Challenges for the La Center School district are coming our way due to a very fast growing community. We will be tasked with not only keeping up with needs of an expanding community, but also to continue improving our education system for the students of La Center. It is my pledge to continue to serve our district. Four of those students are my children.

Green Mountain School District No. 103 - Director Position No. 2

Garren Elmer Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Green Mountain School District No. 103 - Director Position No. 3

Sandra E. Ferneding
Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Green Mountain School District No. 103 - Director Position No. 5

Wendy Arends
Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Fire Protection District No. 1 - Commissioner Position No. 3

John E. Clancy Non-Partisan



As a home-owner and taxpayer, I understand the need to keep the costs down and provide protection for the community. Emergency medical response has been critical for me in the past, and I want to be sure every one always has that protection. Keeping the cost of homeowner insurance down by having top rated fire protection is another factor. Good planning; short, mid, and long term is key factor in budgeting. As a Commissioner, I will work to provide the community with the best possible fire and medic protection and service for our tax dollars.

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Fire Protection District No. 2 - Commissioner Position No. 3

Mike Lohman Non-Partisan



I have been a resident of LaCenter for the past 18 years. I received an associate arts degree from Portland Community College in Fire Science and a minor as an E.M.T. I have ten years of experience as a medical equipment purchasing agent and as an ambulance medic. I have nine years of volunteer experience with Clark County Fire District #14 as a Fire Fighter and E.M.T. I served as the Fire Commissioner with Clark District #2 in 1995.

I believe my experience, education and training makes me most qualified to serve as your Fire Commissioner.

Web site: www.hei.net/~czthor/firedept2.htm

Frank Stanley
Non-Partisan



I have been acquainted with the local fire departments for over 30 years. During my years as Fire Commissioner, I have been involved with purchasing the land and building of the new fire station located on 389th.

New volunteers have joined so they are able to respond from station 3, cutting down the response time considerably.

My main goal is to continue to manage your tax dollar wisely.

Fire Protection District No. 3 - Commissioner Position No. 3

Tom Armstrong
Non-Partisan



I'm dedicated to improve the best emergency response service for our community. Retired from 29 years in the fire service – that time in active community fire stations. I earned a lifetime Teaching Credential for fire service training at the college level, teaching fire personnel and community citizens.

I've been married to Donna for 40 years and have four grandchildren in local schools.

I plan to expand public education, improve vehicle response, better equipment and focus on improved water supply. District 3 has a terrific tax base fund use, and I will continue to advocate excellence with our tax dollar.

Address: 21678 NE 192nd Avenue, Battle Ground 98604; Telephone: (360) 687-6020; E-mail: bestnow@juno.com

Dick Deleissegues
Non-Partisan



As Fire Commissioner my priority is to provide an efficient, well trained fire and medical emergency response organization, while maintaining high standards and keeping operational costs as low as possible. Fire District 3 now has an ambulance and paramedics, and an outstanding firefighting organization. I am currently serving as Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners and look forward to continuing my service to the volunteers, professional firefighters and the people of Fire District 3.

Fire Protection District No. 5 - Commissioner Position No. 1

Mike Lyons Non-Partisan



Mike is a retired Vancouver Fire Department captain and lifelong local resident, currently residing in Proebstel. His fire career started with Fire District 5 and encompassed two fire service consolidations. These included the merging of Fire Districts 4 & 5, and the contractual consolidation of services with the Vancouver Fire Department. His knowledge of operations, consolidation history, and participation in Vancouver Fire's 2002 business planning process are valuable assets. He wants to continue his efforts to maintain and improve the level of fire protection, fire prevention, public education, and emergency medical services delivered to the residents of Fire District 5.

Fire Protection District No. 6 - Commissioner Position No. 1

Dick Spring
Non-Partisan



I have enjoyed serving as your fire commissioner for the past two years and with your help I would like to continue that service.

With 30 years of experience in the fire service and over 38 years of military experience, I have helped ensure the District's emergency needs were met.

I am committed to make sure your tax dollars are used wisely, to continue to provide outstanding emergency response and customer services to our community.

My goals are to insure as a fire district we will maintain our current levels of proficiency, readiness and emergency response.

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Ronald D. Perron
Non-Partisan



Ron Perron, father of three, grandfather of two and retired Lieutenant with Clark County Fire District #6, after twenty-seven and a half years of service, is running for your Fire Commissioner. Ron resides in Hazel Dell with his wife Linda of thirty-five years.

The Fire District is the heart of a service organization that must be able to forecast the needs of those that it serves, and Ron has that vision. He will strive to make your fire department accountable to the needs and desires of its community. He will accomplish this with integrity and thoroughness in effective planning.

Address: 6913 NW Anderson, Vancouver 98665; Telephone: (360) 693-1504

Fire Protection District No. 9 - Commissioner Position No. 1

Gary L. Larson
Non-Partisan



I am running for the position of Fire Commissioner Position 1 Clark County Fire District #9 and I am asking for your vote. I have served as your Commissioner since 1979 and have worked hard to improve the emergency services to the residents of this community. The Board of Commissioners of Fire District 9 has been frugal with our tax dollars and making sure that the citizens are getting a fair value. I am asking for your vote to allow us to continue providing the best emergency services possible.

Thank you.

Fire Protection District No. 10 - Commissioner Position No. 3

Beth Goble Non-Partisan



I have lived in Fire District 10 for twenty-five years. I believe I have a good understanding of the qualities and needs of this district. Even though I'm not a fire fighter, I have a basic understanding of the field. As Commissioner, I would be available to my constituents to answer their questions and listen to their concerns. If elected I will fulfill the duties of this position to the best of my abilities. By working together we can get the best service for our tax dollars.

Telephone: (360) 247-5513

Danny L. Walling
Non-Partisan



I have been firefighter with Fire District 10 since 1995, and currently serving as Captain and District Safety Officer. My goals are to ensure the best quality of service to you, which we are achieving, and to ensure your tax dollars are used in the best way to meet these services, as well as the State. As Manager of Lake Merwin Campers Hideaway, I played a role in the development of Station 10-6. I have been an active member of the community by serving as past president for North Clark Lions, Amboy Territorial Days Association, and member Amboy American Legion.

Telephone: (360) 263-5547; E-mail: wallingdl@aol.com; Campaign Manager: Keri Tobel, (360) 247-2811

Fire Protection District No. 11 - Commissioner Position No. 3

Gerald (Jerry) Kolke Non-Partisan



Fire District 11 Citizens,

Thank you for your support while I filled the incumbent position as Fire Commissioner. It has been rewarding as, over the past three years, I strived to make your money work for you. During that time, District 11 has secured over \$427,000 in grant money and equipment including an air trailer and air packs; obtained a new engine through the City of Battle Ground contract; purchased another brush rig; and developed a six-year Strategic Plan for the District. With your support I hope to continue to lead Fire District 11 into the future enthusiastically and efficiently.

Telephone: (360) 687-2256

Fire Protection District No. 12 - Commissioner District No. 3

Jon Babcock Non-Partisan



My name is Jon Babcock. I look forward to serving as your Fire Commissioner. As a longtime resident of Ridgefield for the last 18 years, I have had the unique opportunity to work on the planning commission for the city and understand the current growth of the district and its service needs. As a retired firefighter, I not only bring experience from my former profession, but now have the time to commit to the workshops, meetings, new trends and specifically the future.

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Fire Protection District No. 13 - Commissioner Position No. 3

Louis A. Ferreira
Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Hazel Dell Sewer District - Commissioner Position No. 3

Denny Kiggins
Non-Partisan



I would like to thank the voters that supported me in my first term to support me again and to ask for the vote of those who did not.

The District is facing many challenges: capacity of the treatment plant; transmission and collection lines; rates; operational costs; name change; regional provider of wastewater; local restaurants; and on and on. We are working on all of the above, plus many more, and you can help by attending our work sessions that we have once a month to solve our problems.

Remember this is your Hazel Dell Sewer District!

Vancouver Port District - Commissioner District No. 1

Brian Wolfe Non-Partisan



During the next six years our community must make critical decisions affecting the infrastructure of the Port and its natural setting. As we plan for our future we must consider both employment and environment. The strengths I bring to this position include: 15 years on the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce board; 10 years with the Columbia River Economic Development Corp. board; and four years on the Identity Clark County board, enhanced by a lifetime as a birder, sailor, and hunter. I bring economic leadership savvy and conservation stewardship together for a productive, balanced use of our valuable Port.

Address: Committee to Elect Brian Wolfe, 1010 Washington Street #240, Vancouver 98660; Telephone: (360) 576-0965; E-mail: bwolfeforport@aol.com

Bill Hughes Non-Partisan



Vancouver has so many possibilities! Bill Hughes can and will merchandise us! Extensive background in intermodal transportation vital to a successful port operation.

Entire adult life involved with transportation: employed by 3 railroads and 5 truck lines; founded one of the largest piggy back (trailers on flatcars) companies in the nation, *pronto pig*; traveled to 49 countries; traveled every USA state at least twice

Vancouver resident since 1946. Veteran Merchant Marine and WW 2 Army. Presently working with major cruise line in an effort to entice them to add Vancouver USA to some of their itineraries.

E-mail: bhughes803@aol.com

Camas-Washougal Port District - Commissioner District No. 1

Jim L. Carroll
Non-Partisan



I believe in academic, sports, recreational, church, and community involvement experiences.

I believe we learn by "doing." Education, good and bad experiences make us a success and give us the important "street smarts" that carry us through our community involvement.

I'd like to think I could absorb the facts, the situations, and the conditions that are necessary to make Port decisions that are best for the community, both now and in the future and still consider the special user groups and their counter-parts to make our community a special place to live.

Address: 27817 SE 7th Street, Camas 98607; Telephone: (360) 834-4215

Camas-Washougal Port District - Commissioner District No. 3

Alan F. Hargrave Non-Partisan



I was born and raised in Clark County, attended Evergreen High School, Walla Walla Community College and the University of Portland. After college, I returned to the Camas-Washougal area and have been involved in the business community for over thirty years. The Camas-Washougal area has been good to my family, so I am running for commissioner to give something back to the community. I offer the citizens and the Port of Camas-Washougal a well rounded person with good listening, communication and business skills.

Port of Ridgefield - Commissioner District No. 1

R. Bruce Wiseman
Non-Partisan



As an incumbent Port Commissioner/retired Refuge Manager, I'm proud of the many projects we've initiated/completed during the past 7 years. These include bringing new businesses/jobs to Ridgefield, identifying/planning future critical transportation needs and renovating our marina. I'm also especially proud and excited of our tremendously successful, ongoing environmental cleanup of the Lake River/PWT site. When completed, our waterfront can be redeveloped and be the showcase that most envision. I understand and advocate for a balance between the *environment and planned growth* that will continue making Ridgefield a great place to live and raise our families.

Telephone: (360) 887-4582; E-mail: treewisemans@aol.com

Cemetery District No. 4 - Commissioner Position No. 2

Garvis Elmer Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Steve Everett

Non-Partisan

I am employed as a Consumer Relations Manager, have 2 teenagers, and happily married to Kathy for 23 years.

No photograph was submitted

Being fairly new to the North County area, I decided to look for opportunities to give back to my community. Located just up the road from my home is Mt. View Cemetery. It wasn't difficult to determine that this is a community that takes great pride in their cemeteries.

I'd like to volunteer my time as Cemetery Commissioner to serve you. My primary focus will be to engage community work groups in monument preservation and veteran recognition. Thanks for your support.

Address: 12016 NE Grantham Road, Amboy 98601; Telephone: (360) 263-6534

Heidi K. Zimmerman

Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Patti A. Frasier

Non-Partisan

I'm a lifelong Clark County resident, married to Tony for 10 years, mother of three children, employed 15 years by a prominent not-for-profit company as a Regulatory Expert with a background in Business Accounting and Administration. I've enjoyed volunteering at my church and managing fundraisers for United Way, March of Dimes, and The Komen Foundation.

No photograph was submitted

My cemetery focus is to promote and expand a new program that allows families to purchase monuments at an economical price. I'd also like to evaluate and complete expansion opportunities at the Mt. View Cemetery.

I would be honored to have your vote.

Address: 39101 NE 119th Avenue, Amboy 98601; Telephone: (360) 263-0777; E-mail: pafrasi@tds.net

Cemetery District No. 4 - Commissioner Position No. 3

Dennis Frasier Non-Partisan

No photograph was submitted

In 1891 my grandfather helped build the Hazen Chapel which Mt. View Cemetery surrounds. Chelatchie Prairie and Amboy Cemeteries were organized in 1892 and 1895, accordingly. For the last 19 years, I've enjoyed sharing the fiscal, maintenance, and preservation responsibilities of these cemeteries.

My past employment experience includes working for 6 years in cemeteries throughout the Clark and Cowlitz county area. Those responsibilities consisted of preparation for graveside services and the opening and closing of graves. I most recently worked as a grounds keeper for the Woodland Cemetery District.

Now retired, I hope to continue serving my community.

Address: 12100 NE Grantham Road, Amboy 98601; Telephone: (360) 263-4161

Bob McClellan Non-Partisan

No photograph or statement was submitted

Cemetery District No. 1 - Commissioner Position No. 1

William A. Zalpys

Non-Partisan

My cemetery experience includes 5.5 years working at Park Hill Cemetery. I have attended the Washington State Funeral Association's seminars for the past several years. I have three years of college credit mostly from Cal Poly Pomona in Agricultural Science.

No photograph was submitted

I have 9.6 years working as Grounds Supervisor of UCLA.

Accomplishments at Fern Prairie Cemetery include: setting up cemetery recording system to Washington State Cemetery standards; introducing new documents for the protection of the cemetery and families; platting new sections for the burial of cremains and upright marker section; and recommended and designed the Columbarium now standing in the cemetery.



Ballot measures

PROPOSITION NO. 1

VANCOUVER LIBRARY CAPITAL FACILITY AREA

The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to establish the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA), a quasi-municipal corporation subject to audit by the State Auditor. This proposition would establish the VLCFA with the same boundaries as the City of Vancouver, and with all the powers provided in Chapter 27.15 RCW, including the power to construct, acquire, maintain, remodel and equip library facilities.

Shall this proposition be:

APPROVED?	
REJECTED?	

Statement for:

A Message from a Vancouver Librarian

Proposition 1, which creates the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area, creates a sub-area of our three county library system that allows Vancouver residents to vote and pay for library buildings close to where they live. It's a smart and fair approach to expanding and repairing libraries serving our immediate community. That includes the main branch, which is overwhelmingly used by Vancouver residents. And with the City donating land, this is a great value for taxpayers.

As a longtime librarian, I know how important libraries are to our community. I wish those who criticize things such as Internet access would spend more time in the library: I am here everyday, and can assure you that these few complaints do not reflect what actually happens in our libraries today. Children in Vancouver libraries do not have access to inappropriate materials. What I do see is toddlers learning to love reading at story time, students writing book reports or getting help with their homework, and children participating in summer reading.

The real problem with our libraries is that there isn't nearly enough space for the children, families, senior citizens and others who count on them every day. Not only is there inadequate space for library programs, there are 63,000 books and materials that aren't even on the shelves, for lack of space. When people and communities cannot access their libraries, they cannot fully realize their potential. That is why I am asking you to vote *yes*.

Written by: Jan Oliva; Ron Hart; Schuyler Hoss

Contact Information: **Address:** 3801 Main Street, Vancouver 98663; **Telephone:** (360) 699-7149: **E-mail:** Information@yes-for-libraries.org;

Web site: www.yes-for-libraries.org

Rebuttal of statement against:

Creating the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area is a great new tool that provides increased taxpayer fairness, control and accountability. It helps solve one of the challenges of a Library District that covers three countries, enabling taxpayers to pay for only those facilities that serve their neighborhoods. This measure will also help relieve overcrowding for children, seniors and families; make more books available to the public and make our local libraries safer and more efficient.

Explanatory Statement for the November 8 Library Measure – Proposition No. 1

This is the first of two propositions. Both must pass for library projects to occur.

Proposition No. 1 creates the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA). This would be a quasi-municipal corporation, an independent taxing authority with limited powers provided by RCW 27.15; to construct, acquire, remodel and equip library facilities. The County Commissioners would be the governing body and would contract with the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District to operate the libraries.

Statement against:

This 2005 Vancouver Library Capital Facilities Area (LCFA) unfairly gerrymanders the boundaries to Vancouver city limits only. It is unreasonable for Vancouver alone to pay for a huge library downtown that serves as a research center for citizens in Clark, Skamania, and Klickitat Counties.

LCFAs have been controversial since being passed into law in 1995. Taxpayers filed suit against LCFAs (Granite Falls vs. Taxpayers). Taxpayers argued that taxes would not be imposed uniformly throughout the county, in violation of the Washington constitution. Residents inside the LCFA could pay more than those outside.

A coalition formed to oppose the Taxpayers, consisting of libraries, cities, and a bank, all of which *stood to gain financially*. King County and Sno-Isle libraries each set aside \$50,000 and library districts statewide, including FVRL, cities, and SeaFirst Bank contributed to legal costs to fight Taxpayers in court. The Washington State Supreme Court upheld LCFAs in 1998.

The tax scheme that Taxpayers feared has indeed happened. In November 1998, an LCFA was formed in Salmon Creek, an area that did not have a library. A \$4,500,000 l0-year bond also passed to build the 13,000 sq. ft. Three Creeks library, including land, furnishings, and materials. This area now pays higher library taxes than elsewhere in Clark County. *The Three Creeks bond sold to SeaFirst Bank*. The interest alone is \$1,300,000.

Interest on the 20-yr Vancouver LCFA \$44,000,000 bond is estimated at \$26,000,000!

Citizens should reject this unfair boundary/tax scheme.

Written by:

No Committee members: Lee Hemen, Chair; Marvyle L. Walker; Rian Girard

Address: 10708 NE 44th Street, Vancouver 98682; **Telephone:** (360) 256-9667; **Web site:** www.lifepac.org

Rebuttal of statement for:

If the VLCFA is changed, city residents alone will pay a whopping \$26,000,000 in interest on a \$44,000,000 bond!

Libraries are important and Internet access is good, if they are affordable. But should libraries that serve toddlers, students, and children give unnecessary access to pornography?

Free land isn't free when city taxpayers pay these enormous costs! Why should you bear the burden for residents of Clark, Skamania, and Klickitat Counties?

PROPOSITION NO. 2

VANCOUVER LIBRARY CAPITAL FACILITY AREA

The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to enable the Vancouver Library Capital Faciltiy Area (VLCFA) to increase building safety, and space for availability of programs, services and books by financing local library facilities. This proposition would authorize the VLCFA to, remodel, expand and further equip the Main Library at its current location, further equip Vancouver Mall Library, acquire and equip an expanded replacement Cascade Park Library constructed on donated land next to Firstenburg Community Center and a separate library processing center; issue no more than \$44,000,000 in 20-year general obligation bonds; and levy excess property taxes to pay and retire the bonds, all as provided by Resolution No. 2005-08-16.

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APPROVED?	
REJECTED?	

Statement for:

Vote yes to expand and repair our local Vancouver libraries.

Expansion is long overdue!

Since the *Main Vancouver Library* was built in 1963, Vancouver's population has *quadrupled* and the library has never been upgraded or expanded. With 525,000 visits yearly, it seats only 100 people and offers only 13 Internet terminals.

Cascade Park Library is so small, children's summer reading programs must

Vancouver Mall Library is overflowing: it's the home library for over 69,000 – a 15% increase in one year.

Lack of space has forced 63,000 books and magazines into storage.

The Vancouver Library Bond Will:

Expand and make safer the Main Library at current site, creating additional space for children's programs, homework help, and senior citizen services; build a new expanded eastside library, next to Firstenburg Community Center, with more space for books and programs for kids, families and senior citizens; make restrooms, entrances, and exits handicapped accessible; make 63,000 stored books and magazines easily accessible; and add computers at all three libraries.

A Great Value

The library bond can do so much because the City of Vancouver is providing free land. But that deal cannot last forever: open land is disappearing and rapidly rising in price.

The library bond is fair to older taxpayers. Low-income seniors or those with large medical expenses can apply for a tax exemption.

Our Library Listens

When concerns were expressed about computer access to objectionable material, librarians developed an Internet filtering program that's reduced Internet viewing complaints to nearly zero.

Written by: Jan Oliva; Ron Hart; Schuyler Hoss

Contact Information: **Address:** 3801 Main Street, Vancouver 98663; **Telephone:** (360) 699-7149: **E-mail:** Information@yes-for-libraries.org;

Web site: www.yes-for-libraries.org

Rebuttal of statement against:

Opponent's statement is misleading:

Over \$8,500,000 goes to Eastside libraries. Eastside residents benefit from a strong main library with materials, staff expertise too costly to duplicate district-wide.

Librarians instituted a new Internet policy respecting community values: No person under 17 has unfiltered Internet access; complaints have been reduced to nearly zero. FVRL was second in state to fully comply with Children's Internet Protection Act.

Clark College Library has no general collection including children's materials.

Explanatory Statement for the November 8 Library Measure – Proposition No. 2

This is the second of two propositions. Both must pass for library projects to occur.

Proposition No. 2, would fund remodeling, expanding and equipping the main Vancouver library at current site, building a replacement Cascade Park library next to Firstenburg Community Center, providing more equipment for the Mall library including children's computers, and partially funding a processing center. It is estimated to cost approximately 20¢/\$1000 of assessed property value over the life of the bonds.

Statement against:

The downtown branch, already the largest, is far from east and north population growth, yet over \$30,000,000 is devoted to super-size it to 92,000 sq. ft. Nearby Clark College library is also open to residents. Administration and operations will get a brand-new 40,000 sq. ft. facility off-site. Why is only \$7,000,000 allocated for Cascade Park to serve the entire eastside?

Property owners currently pay library tax of \$.50/\$1000 (\$100 per \$200,000 home). Library taxes increase with property values. This bond adds \$40/yr. more for 20 years. Vancouver hiked sales, sewer and water taxes, and proposes property tax increases, as does the Port. Car licenses and gas taxes are skyrocketing. School and fire tax increases loom. Higher taxes mean higher rents.

Better fiscal management is needed. With population growth comes increased revenues from new construction and soaring property values. Where has the money gone?

FVRL allows free Internet pornography to anyone 17 and older including sexoffenders, via unfiltered computers. Public records of complaints from library visitors (1998-2005) show negative impacts from net-porn via screens, porn printouts, obscene behaviors, and illegal child-pornography. This bond adds 100 computers. Hiding porn is not the answer.

Public hearings and petitions indicate strong community support for clean Internet. Tacoma filters porn on all but 1 of 150 computers. If a legitimate site is blocked, the filter can be lifted. Many libraries nationwide do not offer pornography.

Until FVRL better responds to community needs and standards, vote no.

Written by:

No Committee members: Lee Hemen, Chair; Marvyle L. Walker; Rian Girard

Address: 10708 NE 44th Street, Vancouver 98682; **Telephone:** (360) 256-9667; **Web site:** www.lifepac.org

Rebuttal of statement for:

Most growth has occurred outside of the city core area. Why should these city residents bear the entire cost of a large central downtown facility?

This bond will *not expand* Vancouver Mall Library space. To make 63,000 books and magazines available, city taxpayers will pay \$26,000,000 in interest for the next 20 years!

How does providing more computers for hard-core Internet pornography make libraries safer or improve programs for families?

PROPOSITION NO. 1

RIDGEFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 122 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$56,000,000

The Board of the Ridgefield School District No. 122 passed resolution #2004-11 concerning this proposition. This proposition authorizes the District to construct and equip a new high school and upgrade and modernize facilities of the District's other schools, to issue \$56,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 21 years, and to levy property taxes annually, in addition to regular tax levies, to repay such bonds, all as provided in Resolution #2004-11.

Shall this proposition be:		
• •	APPROVED? \square	
	REJECTED? □	

Statement for:

The Children of Ridgefield Today - Our Future Tomorrow

Ridgefield School District is one of the fastest growing districts in the State of Washington. Currently, our schools are beyond capacity and increasing enrollment continues daily. It has been 33 years since Ridgefield has built a new school. More portables are not the solution. With nearly two thousand new homes in various stages of building and development it is time to take action.

Passage of this bond measure will ensure construction of a new high school where land has already been wisely purchased. In addition, technology, modernization and safety improvements will be upgraded at all four existing schools. A "yes" vote is needed to continue our community's tradition of quality education.

The issue is real and solution is before us. With rising construction costs, delaying this Bond will ultimately cost taxpayers more money. Passing the Bond now is necessary to build our much needed high school and to make improvements to the existing schools at a lower cost to all.

A "yes" vote is a vote to continue Ridgefield's tradition of *Educational Excellence*.

Written by: Stephanie Thompson, Chair; Ken Harrison; Cindi Sepe

Rebuttal of statement against:

Voting yes on this bond demonstrates your commitment toward our children's education. The school board went through a highly public process to determine elements of this bond. Public priorities were building a new high school and addressing safety concerns at the elementary and middle school sites. Architectural conceptions have been created with many hours of public involvement. The district has public detailed financial disclosures available at the district office.

Vote yes to move forward.

Ridgefield School District No. 122 explanatory statement:

Ridgefield School District No. 122 seeks voter approval to issue general obligation bonds. If the voters approve this ballot proposition the District will be able to issue \$56,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of twenty-one (21) years to construct and equip a new high school, and modernize and upgrade facilities of the District's other schools. The general obligation bonds will be repaid through an additional annual excess property tax levy.

Statement against:

Vote No on Ridgefield School District Resolution #2004-11

New schools are needed, however, we must *vote no on this bond*. The financial disclosure provides taxpayers with limited information regarding actual cost of individual items. Instead, the district asks the voter to approve \$56,000,000 and then trust them to design and budget the project at a later date.

Elementary Over-Enrollment is Not Solved:

Millions of dollars are being spent to address elementary parking and traffic flow, but not the schools themselves. These buildings are at the end of their useful lives. Even with View Ridge becoming an elementary school, total capacity will be only 1,150 while 2010 projected enrollment is 1,518. *Upon completion of the current bond projects, capacity will already be 400 short in the elementary schools.* By 2023 projected enrollment is 2,622. The district plans to build a 1,200 student high school. October 2004 enrollment was 619, projected 2010 enrollment is 882, and projected 2023 enrollment is only 1,408. *Too much is being spent on the high school and not enough on the elementary schools where the need is greatest.*

Summary:

The district is asking the taxpayers to trust them with \$56,000,000. They want us to believe they will listen to the community as they present their plans. However, the district and superintendent's prior actions have demonstrated exactly the opposite. Community input is often requested and totally dismissed. If you want your voice heard, vote no on Ridgefield School District Resolution #2004-11 November 8th.

Written by:

Don Winton, **Telephone:** (360) 607-6891; **E-mail:** donwinton@hotmail.com

Danielle R. Winton; Megan E. Eussen

Rebuttal of statement for:

More portables are not the answer, but if the current bond passes they remain the only option. This bond provides no technology updating or modernization to the elementary schools.

No new schools have been built for 33 years. Let's do it carefully and address the elementary schools now, not ignore them and build a trophy high school.

A need for new schools is not an excuse to spend money unwisely.

Complete text of local measures

Clark County Commissioners RESOLUTION NO. 2005-08-16

A RESOLUTION providing for ballot propositions.

WHEREAS, the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District by Resolution No. 2005-04 of its Board of Trustees, and the City of Vancouver, by Resolution No. M-3503 of its City Council and by Joint Resolution, have each requested that Clark County, pursuant to Chapter 27.15 RCW, provide for establishment of a Library Capital Facility Area and submit to the voters of said area the ballot propositions set forth below; now therefore,

BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLARK COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON,

that the following two ballot propositions shall be submitted at the general election on November 8, 2005 to the voters of the area described below:

Proposition No. 1:

The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to establish the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA), a quasi-municipal corporation subject to audit by the State Auditor. This proposition would establish the VLCFA with the same boundaries as the City of Vancouver, and with all the powers provided in Chapter 27.15 RCW, including the power to construct, acquire, maintain, remodel and equip library facilities.

Shall this proposition be: Approved____ Rejected____?

Proposition No. 2:

The Board of Clark County
Commissioners adopted Resolution No.
2005-08-16, concerning a proposition
to enable the Vancouver Library Capital
Facility Area (VLCFA) to increase building
safety, and space for availability of
programs, services and books by financing
local library facilities. This proposition
would authorize the VLCFA to, remodel,
expand and further equip the Main Library
at its current location, further equip
Vancouver Mall Library, acquire and equip
an expanded replacement Cascade Park
Library constructed on donated land next
to Firstenburg Community Center and a

separate library processing center; issue no more than \$44,000,000 in 20-year general obligation bonds; and levy excess property taxes to pay and retire the bonds, all as provided by Resolution No. 2005-08-16.

Shall this proposition be: Approved Rejected ?

ADOPTED this 16th day of August, 2005.

BOARD OF CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Betty Sue Morris, Chair Attest:

Rebecca Tilton, Deputy Clerk to the

Approved as to form only Art Curtis, Prosecuting Attorney; E. Bronson Potter, Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT RESOLUTION 2005-4

RESOLUTION OF THE FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE VANCOUVER LIBRARY CAPITAL FACILITY AREA AND TO FINANCE NEW LIBRARY FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF VANCOUVER.

WHEREAS, Fort Vancouver Regional Library District ("Library District") cannot accommodate the library services and collection needs of the growing population; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Library District has determined that new library facilities are essential to the public welfare of the residents of the City of Vancouver; and

WHEREAS, chapter 27.15 RCW permits, upon the request of the Board and the approval of the voters, the creation of a library capital facility area to construct and/or remodel and equip these facilities; and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing additional facilities for needed library service can most fairly be paid by those residents of the area served by and through the establishment of a library capital facility area; and

WHEREAS, the Library District expects to enter into an appropriate interlocal agreement with the governing

board of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area that would assign responsibility to the Library District for designing and administering the construction and/or remodeling and equipping of these facilities, for use as new libraries and the district processing center; and

WHEREAS, the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area would be responsible for financing the construction and/or remodeling and equipping of new library facilities and the district processing center; and

WHEREAS, the Library District will be responsible for operating and maintaining the library capital facility area financed by the approved ballot propositions,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Fort Vancouver
Regional Library District Board of Trustees:

1. Finding and Approval of the
Establishment of a Library Capital Facility
Area

The Library District finds that larger libraries are essential to the public welfare of the City of Vancouver. The Library District hereby approves the establishment of a library capital facility area to be known as the "Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area" (defined by the boundaries in Section 2).

2. Boundaries of the Vancouver Library
Capital Facility Area

The boundaries of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area shall be the current City of Vancouver boundaries.

Request to the Clark County Board of Commissioners

Pursuant to chapter 27.15 RCW, the Board requests that the Board of Clark County Commissioners provide for the establishment of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area and submit to the voters of the said area at a special election to be held on November 8, 2005 two ballot propositions in substantially the following form:

Proposition 1: The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to establish the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA), a quasi-municipal corporation subject to audit by the State Auditor. This proposition would establish the VLCFA with the same boundaries as the City of Vancouver, and with all the

powers provided in Chapter 27.15 RCW, including the power to construct, acquire, maintain, remodel and equip library facilities.

Shall this proposition be: APPROVED REJECTED

Proposition 2: The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to enable the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA) to increase building safety, and space for availability of programs, services and books by financing local library facilities. This proposition would authorize the VLCFA to, remodel, expand and further equip the Main Library at its current location, further equip Vancouver Mall Library, acquire and equip an expanded replacement Cascade Park Library constructed on donated land next to Firstenburg Community Center and a separate library processing center; issue no more than \$44,000,000 in 20-year general obligation bonds; and levy excess property taxes to pay and retire the bonds, all as provided by Resolution No. 2005-08-16.

Shall this proposition be:

APPROVÊD

REJECTED

3. Election Costs

The Library District shall pay the costs of submitting the two ballot propositions to the voters.

4. Approval of Request and submission to Clark County Board of Commissioners
The Board hereby approves the Request for Establishment and Funding of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area ("Request") attached. The Chair and Secretary of the Board are authorized and directed to certify a copy of this resolution and submit it to the Board of Clark County Commissioners with the Request. ADOPTED at an open public and regular meeting of the FVRL Board of Trustees held this 18th day of July 2005.

Trustees: Jack Burkman, Merle Koplan, Rose Smith, and Elena Smith This is to certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original. Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk. Date: 8/2/05

City of Vancouver RESOLUTION NO. M-3503

A RESOLUTION relating to the establishment and financing of the proposed Vancouver Library Capital

Facility area.

WHEREAS, the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District ("Library District") has determined that it cannot accommodate the library services and collection needs of the growing population; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Library District has determined that new library facilities are essential to the public welfare of the residents of the City Vancouver; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 27.15 RCW permits, upon the request of the Board and the approval of the voters, the creation of a library capital facility area to construct and/or remodel and equip these facilities; and

WHEREAS, RCW 27.15.020 requires each city located in a proposed library capital facility area to approve by resolution the creation of the proposed library capital facility area and to confirm how election costs will be paid; and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing additional facilities for needed library service can most fairly be paid by those residents of the area served by and through the establishment of a library capital facility area; and

WHEREAS, the Library District expects to enter into an appropriate interlocal agreement with the governing board of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area that would assign responsibility to the Library District for designing and administering the construction and/or remodeling and equipping of these facilities, for use as new libraries and the district processing center; and

WHEREAS, the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area would be responsible for financing the construction and/or remodeling and equipping of new library facilities and the district processing center; and

WHEREAS, the Library District will be responsible for operating and maintaining the library capital facility area financed by the approved ballot propositions,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

Section 1. Finding and Approval of the Establishment of a Library Capital Facility Area. The City of Vancouver (the "City") hereby approves of the establishment of a library capital facility area to be known as the "Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area" (defined by the boundaries as set

forth below).

Section 2. <u>Boundaries of the Greater Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area.</u>

The boundaries of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area shall be the current City of Vancouver boundaries.

Section 3. Request to the Clark County Board of Commissioners. Pursuant to chapter 27.15 RCW, the City requests that the Board of Clark County Commissioners provide for the establishment of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area and submit to the voters of said area at a special election to be held November 8, 2005, two ballot propositions in substantially the following form Proposition 1: The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to establish the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA), a quasi-municipal corporation subject to audit by the State Auditor. This proposition would establish the VLCFA with the same boundaries as the City of Vancouver, and with all the powers provided in Chapter 27.15 RCW, including the power to construct, acquire, maintain, remodel and equip library facilities.

Shall this proposition be: Rejected Approved _ Proposition 2: The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to enable the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA) to increase building safety and space for availability of programs, services and books by financing local library facilities. This proposition would authorize the VLCFA to remodel, expand and further equip the Main Library at its current location, further equip Vancouver Mall Library, acquire and equip an expanded replacement Cascade Park Library constructed on donated land next to Firstenburg Community Center and a separate library processing center; issue no more than \$44,000,000 in 20-year general obligation bonds; and levy excess property taxes to pay and retire the bonds, all as provided by Resolution No. 2005-08-16. Shall this proposition be: Approved ____ Rejected ? Section 4. Elections Costs. The Library District shall pay the costs of submitting the two ballot propositions to the voters. Section 5. Approval of Joint Request. The City approves the attached Joint Request for Establishment of the Vancouver Library

Capital Facility Area.

Section 6. Authorization and Direction

to City Clerk. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this resolution and submit it to the Board of Trustees of the Library District for the purpose of complying with the requirements of Chapter 27.15 RCW.

ADOPTED at regular session of the Council of the City of Vancouver this 1st day of August, 2005.

Royce E. Pollard, Mayor Attest: R. Lloyd Tyler, City Clerk, By: Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk Approved as to form: Ted H. Gathe, City Attorney

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Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk.

Date: 8/2/05

JOINT REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE VANCOUVER LIBRARY CAPITAL FACILITY AREA

Joint Request of the City of Vancouver and Fort Vancouver Regional Library District

WHEREAS, library service to the residents of Vancouver is provided through the Vancouver Community Library and Cascade Park Community Library, both operated by the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District (the "Library District"); and

WHEREAS, the areas served by the existing Vancouver Community Library and Cascade Park Community Library have experienced significant growth in the number of residents; and

WHEREAS, the growing population has resulted in increased usage of the Vancouver Community Library and Cascade Park Community Library; and

WHEREAS, these libraries cannot accommodate the library visits made by the residents served, cannot accommodate the larger collection needs of the growing population and cannot accommodate the highly-automated information services required by technological advancements; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Vancouver and the Board of Trustees of the Library District have determined that new and/or enlarged library facilities are essential to the public welfare and the residents of the areas; and

WHEREAS, chapter 27.15 RCW permits, upon the request of the City and the Library District and the approval of the voters, the creation of a library capital facility area to construct and finance library

capital facilities: and

WHEREAS, the Library District expects to enter into an appropriate interlocal agreement with the governing board of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area that would assign responsibility to the Library District for designing and administering the construction and/or remodeling and equipping of these facilities, for use as new libraries and the District Operations Center; and

WHEREAS, the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area would be responsible for financing the construction and/or remodeling and equipping of new library facilities and the District Operations Center; and

WHEREAS, the Library District will be responsible for operating and maintaining the library capital facilities financed by the approved ballot proposition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Vancouver and the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District as follows:

1. Joint Request. The City and the Library District jointly request that the Clark County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to chapter 27.15 RCW, provide for establishing a library capital facility area to be known as the "Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area" and submit to the voters of the said area two ballot propositions at the November 8, 2005 election, which shall read substantially as follows:

2. Proposition 1: The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to establish the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA), a quasi-municipal corporation subject to audit by the State Auditor. This proposition would establish the VLCFA with the same boundaries as the City of Vancouver, and with all the powers provided in Chapter 27.15 RCW, including the power to construct, acquire, maintain, remodel and equip library facilities.

Shall this proposition be: APPROVED

REJECTED

Proposition 2: The Board of Clark County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2005-08-16, concerning a proposition to enable the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area (VLCFA) to increase building safety, and space for availability of programs, services and books by financing local library facilities. This proposition would authorize the VLCFA to, remodel, expand and further equip the Main Library at its current location, further equip Vancouver Mall Library, acquire and equip an expanded replacement Cascade Park Library constructed on donated land next to Firstenburg Community Center and a separate library processing center; issue no more than \$44,000,000 in 20-year general obligation bonds; and levy excess property taxes to pay and retire the bonds, all as provided by Resolution No. 2005-08-16.

Shall this proposition be: APPROVED REJECTED

- 3. Boundaries of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area. The boundaries of the Vancouver Library Capital Facility Area shall be the current City of Vancouver boundaries.
- 4. Costs. The Library District shall pay the costs of submitting the two ballot propositions to the voters of the proposed area.

APPROVED this 18th day of July, 2005. FORT VANCOUVER REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT

Jack Burkman, Chair; Trustees: Merle Koplan, Rose Smith, and Elena Smith

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Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk Date: 8/2/05

APPROVED this 1st day of August, 2005.

CITY OF VANCOUVER Royce E. Pollard, Mayor; Council Members: Larry J. Smith, Jeanne E. Stewart, Pat Jollota, Daniel Tonkovich, Jeanne Harris, and Tim Leavitt.

Attest: R. Lloyd Tyler, City Clerk By: Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk This is to certify that this document is a true and exact copy of the original.

Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk Date: 8/2/05

RIDGEFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 122 RESOLUTION NO. 2004-11

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Ridgefield School District No. 122, Clark County, Washington, providing for the form of the ballot proposition and specifying certain other details concerning submission to the qualified electors of the district at a special election to be held therein on November 8, 2005, of a proposition for the issuance of its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$56,000,000, or so much thereof as may be issued under the laws governing the indebtedness of school districts, for the purpose of providing funds to construct and equip a new high school and to modernize and upgrade facilities of the District's other schools; and authorizing the Superintendent or Business Manager to submit a request for eligibility for the Washington State School District Credit Enhancement Program.

WHEREAS, added capacity, modernization and system improvements to school facilities are needed in Ridgefield School District No. 122, Clark County, Washington (the "District"), to provide the students of the District with adequate, proper and safe educational facilities; and

WHEREAS, to provide part of the funds to enable the District to construct and equip a new high school and to modernize and upgrade facilities of the District's other schools, it is deemed necessary and advisable that the District issue and sell its unlimited tax levy general obligation bonds in the principal amount of \$56,000,000 (the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington (including RCW 28A.530.010 and RCW 84.52.056) provide that the question of whether such Bonds may be issued and sold for such purposes and taxes levied to pay such Bonds must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection;

WHEREAS, if the proposition is approved, the District is planning for the issuance and sale of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature in 1999, approved Senate Joint Resolution 8206, which has been codified as RCW ch. 39.98 (the "Credit Enhancement Act") for the purpose of establishing a credit enhancement program (the "Program") for voter-approved school district general obligation bonds; and

WHEREAS, Section 39.98.040 of the Credit Enhancement Act authorizes the state treasurer to make a determination that a school district is eligible for participation in the Program if the state treasurer determines that the district is eligible under rules adopted by the state finance committee; and

WHEREAS, if the proposition is approved and to the extent that the Program demonstrates substantial savings to the taxpayers of the District, the District wishes to participate in the Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Ridgefield School District No. 122, Clark County, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. Findings. This Board of Directors (the "Board") hereby finds and declares that the best interest of the students and other inhabitants of the District require the District to carry out the plans hereinafter provided at the time or times and in the order deemed most necessary and advisable by the Board.

Section 2. Capital Improvements. The District shall: construct and equip a new high school; and modernize and upgrade facilities of the District's other schools, including access and safety improvements, improvements to athletic facilities and other capital improvements approved by the Board.

The cost of all necessary architectural, engineering, and other consulting services, inspection and testing, administrative and relocation expenses, site acquisition, on and off-site utilities, related improvements and other costs incurred in connection with the making of the foregoing capital improvements shall be deemed a part of the costs of such improvements. Such improvements shall be complete with all necessary furniture, equipment and appurtenances.

If available funds are sufficient from the proceeds of the Bonds, and state or local circumstances require, the District shall use such funds to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds or acquire, construct, equip and make other capital improvements to facilities of the District, all as the Board of Directors may determine, after holding a public hearing thereon pursuant to RCW 28A.530.020.

The District shall determine the application of available money as between the various projects set forth above so as to accomplish, as nearly as may be, all improvements described or provided for in this section. The District shall determine

the exact extent and specifications for construction of structures or other improvements.

If the Board shall determine that it has become impractical to accomplish any of such improvements or portions thereof by reason of state or local circumstances, including changed conditions, incompatible development or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, the District shall not be required to accomplish such improvements and may apply the Bond proceeds or any portion thereof to other portions of the improvements, to other capital improvements or to payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, as the Board may determine after holding a public hearing thereon pursuant to RCW 28A.530.020.

In the event that the proceeds of sale of the Bonds, plus other funds of the District legally available, are insufficient to accomplish all of the capital improvements provided by this section, the District shall use the available funds for paying the cost of those improvements for which the Bonds were approved deemed by the Board most necessary and in the best interest of the District.

It is anticipated that the District will receive matching funds form the State of Washington pursuant to RCW 28A.530.020 in the estimated amount of \$7,900,000. The District intends to apply such funds to complete the improvements described in Section 2 hereof. Such funds may also be applied to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds provided for herein or to make other capital improvements to facilities of the District as the Board may determine after holding a public hearing thereon pursuant to RCW 28A.530.020.

Section 3. Authorization of Bonds. For the purpose of providing part of the funds necessary to pay the cost of the improvements described in Section 2 hereof, together with incidental costs and costs related to the sale and issuance of the Bonds, the District shall issue and sell the Bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$56,000,000. The balance of the cost of such improvements shall be paid out of any money the District now has or may later have on hand that is legally available for such purposes and out of possible state or federal grants of money. None of the Bond proceeds shall be used for the replacement of equipment or for any other than a capital purpose. The

Bonds shall be issued in an amount not exceeding the amount approved by the qualified electors of the District as required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington or exceeding the amount permitted by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington.

Section 4. Details of Bonds. The Bonds provided for in Section 3 hereof shall be sold in such amounts and at such time or times as deemed necessary and advisable by this Board and as permitted by law, shall bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed the maximum rate permitted by law at the time the Bonds are sold, and shall mature in such amounts and at such times within a maximum term of twentyone (21) years from the date of issue, but may mature at an earlier date or dates, as authorized by this Board and as provided by law. The Bonds shall be general obligations of the District and, unless paid from other sources, both principal thereof and interest thereon shall be payable out of annual tax levies to be made upon all the taxable property within the District without limitation as to rate or amount and in excess of any constitutional or statutory tax limitations. The exact date, form, terms and maturities of said Bonds shall be as hereafter fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors. After voter approval of the Bond proposition and in anticipation of the issuance of such Bonds, the District may issue short term obligations as authorized by Chapter 39.50 RCW. The proceeds of such Bonds may be used to redeem and retire short term obligations or to reimburse the District for expenditures previously made for such improvements.

Section 5. Election. It is hereby found and declared that an emergency exists requiring the District to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition of whether the District shall issue the Bonds at a special election to be held on November 8, 2005. The Clark County Auditor as ex officio supervisor of elections is hereby requested also to find the existence of such emergency and to call and conduct the special election to be held within the District and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition set forth below. The Secretary of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to certify the proposition to said officials in the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 RIDGEFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 122 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$56,000,000

The Board of the Ridgefield School District No. 122 passed Resolution No. 2004-11 concerning this proposition. This proposition authorizes the District to construct and equip a new high school and upgrade and modernize facilities of the District's other schools, to issue \$56,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 21 years, and to levy property taxes annually, in addition to regular tax levies, to repay such bonds, all as provided in Resolution No. 2004-11. Shall this proposition be: APPROVED? [] REJECTED? []

The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Clark County Auditor.

Section 6. Request for Eligibility for the Credit Enhancement Program. In preparation for the issuance and sale of the Bonds after approval by the voters, the Board of Directors hereby requests that the State Treasurer issue a certificate of eligibility in favor of the District for participation by the District in the Program with respect to the Bonds. The Superintendent and/or the Business Manager are hereby authorized and directed (following voter approval) to submit such applications, resolutions and certifications as shall be required by the State Treasurer in reviewing the District's request for participation.

Section 7. Severability. In the event that any provision of this resolution shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect or invalidate any other provision of this resolution or the Bond, but they shall be construed and enforced as if such invalid provision had not been contained herein; provided, however, that any provision that shall for any reason be held by reason of its extent to be invalid shall be deemed to be in effect to the extent permitted by law.

<u>Section 8. Effective Date.</u> This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Ridgefield School District No. 122, Clark County, Washington, at a regular meeting held June 28, 2005.

RIDGEFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 122,

CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON By Wendi Morris, Chair and Director; Directors: Joseph B. Leadingham; Raymond J. Warner; Kathy Koller. ATTEST: Mary M. Vagner, Secretary, Board of Directors

CERTIFICATE

- I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Ridgefield School District No. 122, Clark County, Washington (the "District"), and keeper of the records of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:
- 1. That the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2004-11 of the Board (the "Resolution"), duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 28th day of June, 2005.
- 2. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, and to the extent required by law, due and proper notice of such meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting and a legally sufficient number of members of the Board voted in the proper manner for the adoption of said Resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings incident to the proper adoption of said Resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed; and that I am authorized to execute this certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of June, 2005.

Mary M. Vagner, Secretary, Board of Directors

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Looking forward to 2006

THE END IS NEAR! At least the end of punch card voting in Clark County is near. The November 8, 2005 General election for which this pamphlet was produced will be the last time we use punch card voting. Beginning with the special election in February, 2006, Clark County will have a new voting system. That voting system will be an "optical scan" system. The names of all candidates and the choices for each ballot measure will be printed directly on the actual ballot. Voters mark their choices on the ballot with an ink pen by filling in the box next to their choice.

For anyone who has taken a standardized test in school, this voting system will seem very familiar. Once a ballot is returned to the County Elections Department and verified as valid, it will be opened and scanned into a computer. On election day the scanned ballot information will be read by a separate computer which then accumulates the votes cast and reports the results after 8 P.M. election day.

On the right is a sample of what the new ballots will look like.

